

FIRST STEPS ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY GUIDE

First Steps is contracted with these Assistive Technology Resource Centers (ATRCs) to provide assistive technology (AT) loans. Teams can request from any ATRC.

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PURPOSE OF A LOAN:

1. Accommodate a child's needs that will change quickly.
2. Trial period to determine if AT is appropriate before purchasing.
3. Short-term use while awaiting delivery of purchased equipment.

Search & Request to Join:
First Steps to Assistive Technology
private Facebook group to stay
up-to-date on AT news.

RENTAL FEES AND LENGTHS

Value	Monthly Rental	Maximum rental	Recommended lengths for trial use vary based on equipment cost. Loaned items should be evaluated on a regular basis to ensure AT is being used. Purchase requests can be submitted after a 2-month successful trial if the child will need AT beyond the maximum rental period. Rental fees cannot exceed cost of the device. If fees are within \$25 of the cost, a purchase request must be made or loan equipment returned.
Up to \$100	\$10	4 months	
\$101 - \$250	\$25	8 months	
\$251 - \$500	\$35	8 months	
\$501 - \$1,000	\$50	10 months	
\$1,001 - \$2,500	\$75	10 months	
\$2,500 and up	\$100	10 months	

**This guide provides a list of commonly requested items used with infants and toddlers.
A complete list of inventory for all centers is available at: katsnet.at4all.com. (AT4ALL)**











AT RENTALS (must be initiated within 60 calendar days of aging out):

1. Requesting Provider (RP) enters AT justification in communication log. AT must be related to an outcome.
2. Service Coordinator (SC) searches for availability on www.katsnet.at4all.com, contacts ATRC to confirm availability, completes AT Device Page for each item, and adds to Planned Services.
3. ATRC submits a service log and once approved by SLA, will coordinate pick up or delivery with SC.
4. SC and RP collaborate to make arrangements for delivery to the family. If delivered by SC, family should be instructed not to use AT until RP can train family on how to use it. **This is especially important for walkers, gait trainers & standers.**
5. SC should document continued use of AT in subsequent IFSPs. RP should include detailed documentation in service logs regarding use of AT in order to demonstrate the potential justification for future purchase request.

AT PURCHASES (must be entered within 90 days of aging out):

1. RP enters AT justification in communication log about AT needed, success of rental & link to outcomes.
2. SC explores funding through all possible sources (i.e. churches, community organizations) and documents two denials **prior** to submitting request. If items are considered durable medical equipment, a private insurance denial must also be documented. Medicaid or Managed Care Organizations cannot be used as a denial.
3. SC completes AT Device Page for each item. If a single item is less than \$100, it can be added to planned services for SLA to approve. If a single item is more than \$100, it will be reviewed by the AT Review Panel within 10 working days of request. SC will send Forms FS-42A/FS-42B to provider for completion. Forms should be returned to AT Panel Chair.
4. If approved by the AT Review Panel, SC will be notified to authorize on planned services which allows ATRC to bill and proceed with purchase.

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ACCESS (Can be requested by any provider)						
Big Red Switch 5" activation surface		\$65	√	√	√	√
Bright Switch 5" activation surface Lights up & vibrates		\$140			√	√
Candy Corn Proximity Little 1.9" Big 3.5"		\$225			√	√
Jelly Bean Switch 2.5" activation surface		\$65	√	√	√	√
Multi-Sensory Switch 9"x6"		\$100			√	√
Powerlink 4 Six modes of control		\$275	√	√	√	√
Switch Latch and Timer Add modes of control to switch adapted devices		\$215	√	√	√	√
Switch Mounts Ask ATRCs about options		\$35 - \$300	√	√	√	√
Ultimate Switch Optional gooseneck		\$80 - \$165	√	√	√	√
ADAPTED TOYS (Can be requested by any provider)						
Activity Centers (variety)		\$150 - \$250	√	√	√	√









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Bubbles (variety)		\$50 & up	√	√	√	√
Fans (variety)		\$50 - \$90	√	√	√	√
Fish & Glow Spinner		\$130	√			√
Peek-a-Boo Mirror		\$165	√		√	√
Plush (variety)		\$50	√	√		√
Pull Ball		\$150	√			√
Ring Around Bells		\$260	√		√	√
Spinning Light Show		\$95	√		√	√
Textured Carousel Box		\$265	√	√		√








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COMMUNICATION Low-mid tech devices (i.e. single & multiple message communicators, static display device) can be requested by any provider with working knowledge of the device. High-tech devices (i.e. scanning, dynamic displays) can only be requested by SLP.						
BIGmack Single message 5" activation surface 2 minutes record time		\$135	√	√	√	√
Big & Small Talk or BIG & LITTLE Step by Step Single, sequential & random message		\$130 - \$200	√	√	√	√
Cheaptalk 4 and 8 Direct, Single & Dual Switch Scanning		\$275 - \$300	√	√	√	√
Go Talk 4, 9, 20, 32 Static display - 5 levels		\$200 - \$300	√	√	√	√
Quick Talker 7, 12, 23 Static display - 5 levels		\$200 - \$300	√	√	√	√
Seven Level Communicator Static display 1-16 messages		\$370	√		√	
Talkables/iTalks 2-4 message options		\$150 - \$250	√	√	√	√








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COMPUTER AND TABLET ACCESS (Can be requested by OT or SLP)						
BigKeys Keyboard ABC or QWERTY PC, Mac, iPad compatible		\$150	√	√	√	√
Blue2 Bluetooth Switch Interface for iPad, phones & computers		\$220	√	√	√	√
iPad Wireless Switch iPad interface		\$200	√	√		√
DAILY LIVING AIDS						
Adapted Cups Sip Tip, Flexi Cup		\$10 - \$20	These items should be submitted for purchase by OT or SLP.			
Adapted Dining Scoop plate & bowl		\$5 - \$10				
Adapted Utensils Weighted or curved		\$10 - \$40				
MOBILITY (Can only be requested by PT)						
Creepster Crawler Adjustable 7 point harness, Up to 50 lbs		\$600			√	√
Firefly Scoot 4-in-1 2-6 years old Up to 48.5 pounds		\$750	√	√	√	√

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Gait Trainer - Crocodile 2 – 9 years old Up to 66 pounds		\$750				√
Gait Trainer - Pony Up to 3 years & 66 lbs		\$2,300		√	√	√
Gait Trainer - Pacer Adjustable frame, forward or rear facing, arm prompts, chest prompts, hip positioner Mini: Up to 50 pounds Small: Up to 75 pounds		Mini: \$2,300 Small: \$2,900	√	√	√	√
Gait Trainer - Mustang Trunk, head, neck and upper body support Height: 15 ¾" – 25 ½" Weight: Up to 66 lbs		\$2,700		√	√	
Gait Trainer - Leckey My Way - Size 1 Upright mobility aid Up to 5 years & 55 lbs		\$4,000				√
Gait Trainer - KidWalk 1 Adjustable for height, weight, and depth Up to 65 pounds		\$3,500		√	√	√
Walkers Options: reverse or posterior, 2 or 4 wheel, front swivel		\$200 - \$350	√	√	√	√
<i>Mobility equipment comes with a variety of accessories. Ask ATRC staff to see what is available.</i>						








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POSITIONING SYSTEMS						
Leckey Early Activity System Pediatric positioning system		\$1,200		√	√	√
Tadpole Prone, sitting, and side-lying positions.		\$1,500			√	√
Wedge Available in various sizes		\$150 - \$250	√	√	√	√
<i>Wedges can be requested by any provider. Tadpole & early activity system can only be requested by OT or PT.</i>						
SEATING & TRAYS (Floor sitters can be requested by any provider. Others can be requested by OT or PT.)						
GoTo Seat (Size 1) Optional Floor Sitter Up to 3 years & 66 lbs		\$800			√	√
Jenx Bee Chair Adjustable seating Up to 5 years & 55 lbs		\$4,000				√
Lady Bug Corner Chair Adjustable seating Up to 3 years & 50 lbs		\$1,200	√	√	√	√
P Pod (Small) Molded positioning support (optional tray)		Chair \$2,800 Tray \$1,200				√



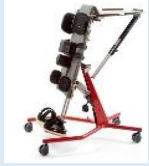




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Rifton Hi-Low Chair (Small) Height: 28" - 48" 28" - 32" (mini kit) Weight: Up to 75 lbs		\$3,500	√	√	√	√
Soft Touch Sitter Size 1: Height 30" - 35" Up to 2 years & 30 lbs Size 2: Height 35" - 48" Up to 6 years & 60 lbs		Size 1: \$670 Size 2: \$800	√	√	√	√
Special Tomato Hi-Low Chair (Size 1); flexible seating, optional tray Height: 28" - 37" Up to 3 years & 80 lbs		\$3,800			√	√
Squiggles Early Sitting System 3-in-1 Optional tray Up to 4 years & 40 lbs		Seat \$1,500 Tray \$600			√	√
Squiggles Seating System Hi-Low Base with Tray Height: 29.5" - 43.3" Up to 5 years & 48 lbs		\$4,000		√	√	√
Special Tomato Mobile Activity Tray (short) Adjusts from 16" - 21"		\$977			√	√
Tumble Form Floor Sitter Small: Height: 30" - 36" Weight: 20-40 pounds Medium: Height: 36" - 48" Weight: 40-60 pounds		Small \$575 Med. \$690	√	√	√	√
Tumble Form Tray Height adjustable		\$1,020		√	√	√


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SENSORY IMPAIRMENTS (Can be requested by OT, SLP, or DI)						
Light Box & Accessories Develops awareness of light, color & objects		\$250 & up	√	√	√	√
Hearing Aid Batteries and Molds		Provider should submit a purchase request for these items.				
Visually & Hearing Impaired Activity Center Vibration, fan, tactile switch		\$150	√	√	√	√
Tactile Learning Tools Early learning tools for children with visual impairments		\$300 & up			√	√
STANDERS (Can only be requested by PT)						
Bantam Sit to Stand Height: 28" – 40" Up to 50 pounds		\$4,500	√	√		√
Easy Stand Zing Multi-Stander Up to 44" and 70 lbs		\$3,000	√		√	√
Jenx Monkey Stander Up to 4 years & 55 lbs		\$3,000			√	√

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Jenx Standz Multi-Stander Up to 6 years & 77 lbs		\$4,000			√	√
Rifton Mobile Stander Mini: 25" - 32" & 50 lbs Small: 30" - 40" & 50 lbs		Mini \$3,000 Small \$3,500		√	√	
Rifton Prone Stander 6 months – 7 years Height: 25" – 48" Weight: Up to 100 lbs		\$2,500		√	√	√
Squiggles Multi-Stander Height: 29" – 43.5" Weight: Up to 48.5 lbs		\$3,500			√	√
TOT Stander Height: 26" - 33" Weight: Up to 48 lbs		\$1,100			√	√
STROLLERS (Can only be requested by PT)						
Kid Kart Xpress Up to 70 pounds		\$3,000				√
Snug Seat Stingray Up to 88 pounds		\$3,500			√	√

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Zippie Voyage Up to 60 pounds		\$3,500			√	√
ITEMS NOT COVERED BY FIRST STEPS						
Standard equipment used by service providers in the delivery of early intervention services (i.e. therapy balls, massagers, brushes, Vital Sounds CD's, Z-vibes, vestibular swings, horn kits).						
Medical supplies prescribed by a physician for medical purposes (i.e. orthotics, feeding pumps, glasses, wheelchairs, bathing chair).						
Generic items used by all children (i.e. car seats, high chairs, play tables, potty chairs, strollers, tricycles, computers/tablets, toys that are not adapted).						
Weighted materials (blankets, vests, etc.)						

Please refer to Chapter 9 Assistive Technology (2021 version) for additional details.